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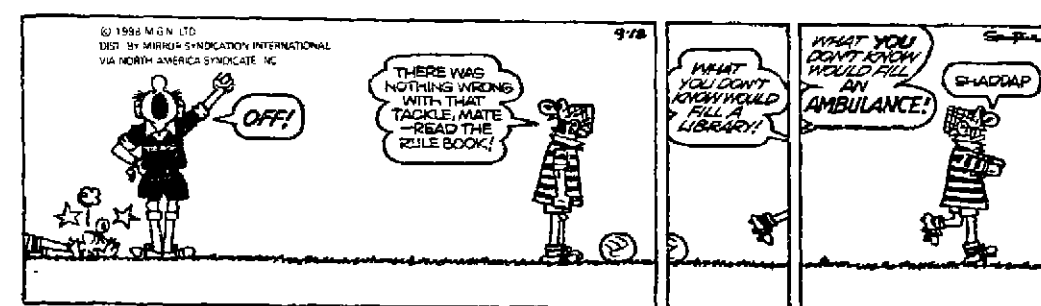
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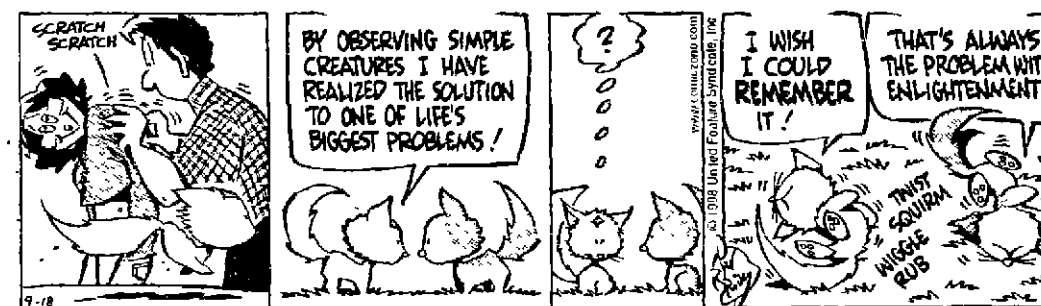
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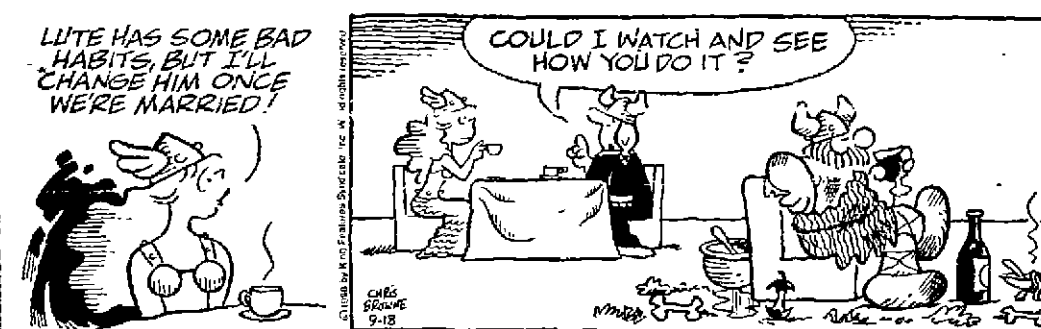
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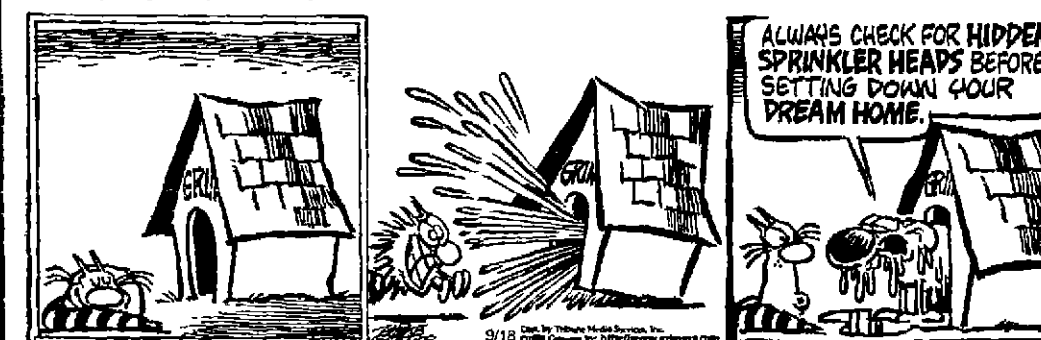
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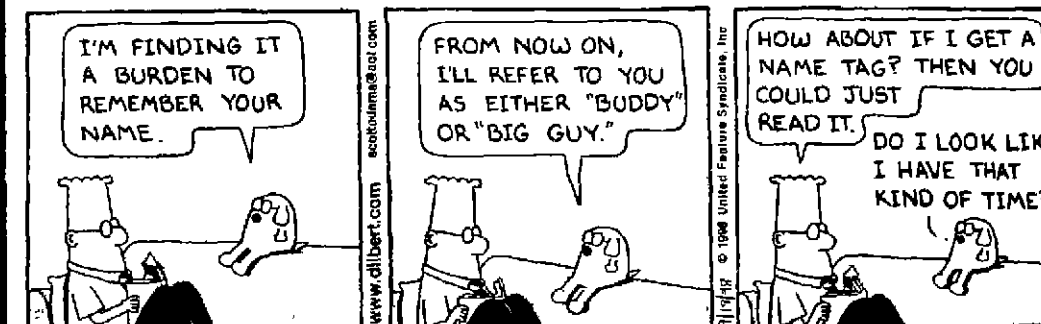
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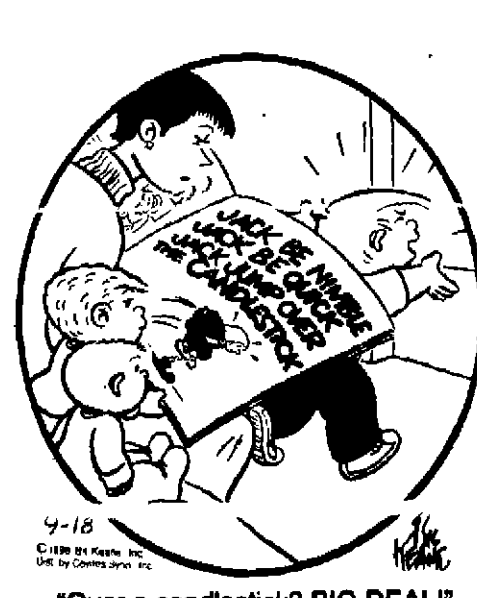
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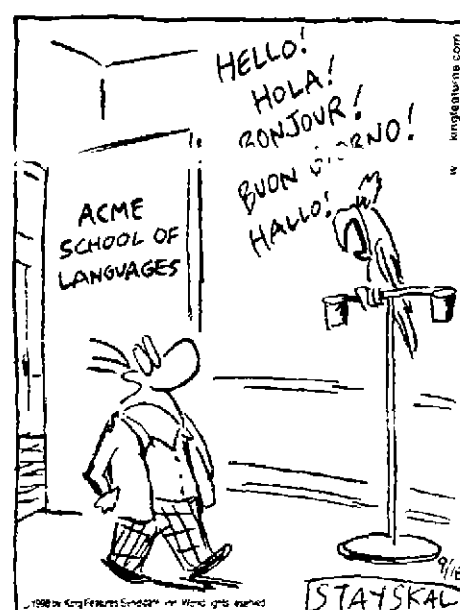
FAMILY CIRCUS



RHYMES WITH ORANGE



RALPH



Today's Birthdays

Actor Jack Warden is 78. Actor Robert Blake is 65. Singer Frankie Avalon is 58. Rock musician Kerry Livgren (Kansas) is 49. Rock musician Dee Dee Ramone is 46. Singer Joanne Cathehall (Human League) is 36. Actress Holly Robinson Peete is 34. Rhythm-and-blues singer Ricky Bell (Bell Biv DeVoe and New Edition) is 31. Actress Jada Pinkett Smith is 27. Actor James Marsden is 25.

I NEED HELP



SCRABBLE

PAR SCORE 140-150
by JUDD

FOUR RACK TOTAL
TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2 to 7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word using scoring directions at right. 7-letter words get 50-point bonus. "Blank" used as any letter has no point value. All Judd's words are in The Official Scrabble Players Dictionary (Merriam-Webster) and OGSW Official Scrabble Words (Chambers). JUDD'S SOLUTION TOMORROW © 1998 United Feature Syndicate, Inc.

C	T	J	S	O	E	B	3rd Letter Triple
A	D	L	T	O	H	E	
F	W	O	O	L	T	D	4th Letter Double
N	T	D	A	E	R	I	

For solution, see Classified.

WORD SLEUTH

Words using piano notes

I F B X U Q M J F B Y U R O K
H D A X U Q N K H E E B Y B V
S P C A B B A G E M D J H E E
B Y V T Q O L I G G E A D A B
Y W T R P M K I F D A G C D D
B Y W U S Q O M K I F G A E D
B Z X W U S Q D O N E L G D D
J H F D C A Y W E F V G E A A
T S Q P N L K I A E E D D C B
H F E C B Z Y C W B D E B A B
V U S R Q P E N M A L J B F B

Thursday's unlisted clue: GRIFFEY

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Friday's unlisted clue hint: TEN YEARS

Adage	Badge	Begged	Deed
Added	Baggage	Cabbage	Facade
Aged	Beaded	Cafe	Face
Babe	Beef	Caged	

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N.Y. TIMES CROSSWORD

No. 0807

- ACROSS**
- 1 "Speed" speaker
4 Mimeographs, e.g.
15 "Come — My House" (Clooney hit)
16 Woodstock performer, 1969
17 Assembly-line principle
19 Former Gov. Bayh
20 Bluebeard's seventh wife
21 Peripatetic religious leader
27 Stomach tightener
28 Five and ten, e.g.
- 30 Not neurotic
31 Oman, for one
33 Sue Grafton's "— for Lawless"
34 Causes of many swoons
36 Opposite of "huh?"
38 Used a clothesline
41 Legendary elephant eaters
42 Projecting parts
43 Best
47 Stir
48 Last team coached by Leo Durocher
51 Heraldic wreath
52 1990's CBS detective drama
58 One way to vanish
- DOWN**
- 1 Foreshadowed
2 Historic computer of 1951
3 "Pancho Villa" star, 1972
4 Cologne article
5 Where the Reuss River originates
6 Al Fatah grp.
7 McCallister of "Montana Territory"
8 Walt Kelly's "— Page"
9 Trouser turnup
10 Where to find 5-Down
11 Words preceding a clarification
12 Like satellite
13 Mainland Equatorial Guinea
14 Tabasco

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

PAPA BIMP DOOM
ARTS ONUS SAUTE
PEPS FYSTOCKTON
PALETTE NOISED
ENRON JETT
BEATON BAOASTATE
UPSET LEMAY TRA
SPAR GONEY FLIT
TIN BITES DIANE
BETAPART DIARWIN
MADE BADER
ASCEND FORSWEAR
MYCKINLEY ONCE
POONS WURL OCHO
SANE LESS DEES

- 18 Going nowhere
20 Went nowhere
23 Some Pepsi purchases
24 Chronic War
26 Unit of a legion

By Bobby Wolff

More than a few declarers will botch the play of today's no-trump game. And there are statistics to prove it. Test yourself after West's heart lead. Would your plan win, or would it add to the negative stats? When West leads the heart eight, what should South play from dummy? If South routinely plays low, East inserts his nine, and the game is headed for defeat. South can win two spades, four diamonds and his heart king for seven tricks. But when he tries to develop two club winners, West wins his ace and leads a heart for one down. Some would blame East's skimpy overcall for their routine and losing play. "Surely, East had to have the club ace for his overcall," they might claim. However, whether East has both missing aces, dummy's correct play at trick one is the heart queen, not the five. After dummy plays the queen, what can East do? Whether he wins or ducks, South enjoys two heart stoppers. If East wins and returns the suit, South finesesses to dummy's 10. And if East ducks, South still has time to develop two club winners for an overtrick. Be careful of the play to the first trick. Often the routine or careless play can throw away a laydown game.

NORTH 09-18-A
 ♠ A 9 6 2
 ♥ Q 10 5
 ♦ K Q 8 3
 ♣ K 7

WEST
 ♠ 7 4 3
 ♥ 8 4
 ♦ 6 5 2
 ♣ A 10 8 5 4

EAST
 ♠ Q J 10 8
 ♥ A J 9 7 2
 ♦ 10 9 4
 ♣ 3

SOUTH
 ♠ K 5
 ♥ K 6 3
 ♦ A J 7
 ♣ Q J 9 6 2

Vulnerable: North-South
Dealer: South

The bidding:
 South West North East
 1♣ Pass 1♦ 1♥
 1NT Pass 3NT All pass

Opening lead: Heart eight

Answers to any three clues in this puzzle are available by touch-tone phone. 1-900-420-5656 (95¢ per minute). Annual subscriptions are available for the best of Sunday crosswords from the last 50 years: 1-800-7-ACROSS.

28 Jafar's nemesis, in film
29 Inventory
32 "Nadia" actress
33 Quasimodo, sav
34 Part of ancient Greece with the city Megalopolis
37 Fooling (around)
38 Cell material
40 Yeats heroine
42 Noted Assyrian king mentioned in Isaiah
44 French sun
46 Puerto Chile
48 Square, in a way
50 TriBeCa neighbor
51 Base address
52 Concert ending
53 — Pablo, Calif.
54 Certain jet